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In re Patent Application

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For: **HUMAN TNF RECEPTOR**

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AMENDMENT

Nutley, New Jersey 07110
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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Amendment is filed in response to the July 15, 2002 Office Action issued in connection with the above-identified patent application. A response to this Office Action was originally due October 15, 2002. A three-month extension of time is being requested concurrently. Accordingly, a response to this Office Action is now due January 15, 2003.

Please amend the subject application as follows:

In the claims:

Cancel claims 69 and 85, without prejudice.

Amend claims 66, 67, 68, and 84 to read as follows:

66. (Amended) A DNA segment having a sequence encoding a chimeric polypeptide comprising the extracellular domain of an insoluble human TNF receptor polypeptide having an apparent molecular weight of about (a) 55 kilodaltons or (b) 75 kilodaltons on a non-reducing SDS-polyacrylamide gel, functionally attached to a Fc portion and hinge region of an IgG heavy chain polypeptide. #